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LINCOLN FIRE AND RESCUE RECEIVES ANNUAL ACCREDITATION COMPLIANCE APPROVAL

Lincoln Fire and Rescue recently received approval from The Commission On Fire Accreditation International, Inc. on its annual compliance report. The annual report requires self assessment documentation and an on site visit by a CFAI representative.

In a letter of approval notification to Lincoln Fire and Rescue and Chief Mike Spadt, CFAI program coordinator Bonny Downing wrote "Your strong leadership and the sense of direction that you provide contribute to the continued professional development of your organization."

Lincoln Mayor Coleen J. Seng recognized the significance of the accreditation compliance approval. "Lincoln Fire and Rescue continues its strong tradition of professionalism and commitment to our community. Maintaining its CFAI accreditation is another reminder of the high quality service provided by the very dedicated men and women of Lincoln Fire and Rescue."

Lincoln Fire and Rescue received its first CFAI accreditation in August 1997. Re-accreditation was awarded in August 2002. LF&R joins 50 other accredited agencies worldwide.

The goal of CFAI accreditation is to ensure the continuous quality and improvement within the fire and emergency services. Accreditation is granted to fire and emergency service agencies upon the successful completion of an in-depth self assessment and an on site evaluation. The CFAI self assessment process has been under development for more than 15 years and has involved hundreds of fire service professionals.

Lincoln Fire and Rescue Deputy Chief Dean Staberg conducted the re-accreditation self assessment.

For more information, visit the Lincoln Fire and Rescue web site at www.lincoln.ne.gov
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